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The Arizona Department of Education (ADE), in partnership with the Department of Economic Security (DES) as lead agency for the Arizona Early Intervention Program (AzEIP), is seeking public comment on the proposed changes to (1) the Transition Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) regarding the transition of eligible children from the Part C Program (AzEIP) to Part B programs in Public Education Agencies (PEAs), and (2) the Child Find Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between ADE and AzEIP regarding the location, identification and evaluation of potentially eligible children birth through five years of age.

The documents reflecting the proposed changes are available at www.ade.az.gov/ess/whatsnew. If you are unable to access the documents electronically, please contact Becky Raabe, ADE/Child Find Coordinator, at (928) 679-8106, (800) 352-4558 or by email becky.raabe@azed.gov.

The Arizona Department of Education, in partnership with the Arizona Early Intervention Program, will conduct public comment hearings on the two Intergovernmental Agreements at the following locations and time. On those same days the DES/AzEIP will be seeking public comment on the proposed changes to their Application for Federal Funds, www.azdes.gov/AzEIP.

DATE	DOCUMENTS for COMMENT	TIME	LOCATION
May 15, 2007	IGAs	9:30 - 10:30 a.m.	AZ Dept of Education (ADE) 1535 W. Jefferson St., #417 Phoenix, AZ 85007
June 7, 2007	IGAs	4:00 - 5:00 p.m.	3839 N 3 <sup>rd</sup> Street
	Application	5:00 – 6:00 p.m.	Suite 301 Phoenix, AZ 85012
June 12, 2007	IGAs	4:30 - 5:30p.m.	Pima County Public Library Murphy-Wilmot Branch
	Application	5:30 - 6:30 p.m.	530 N. Wilmot Rd. Tucson, AZ 85711

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June 12, 2007	IGAs Application	1:00 – 1:45 p.m. 1:45 – 2:30 p.m.	Yuma Elementary School District Board Room 450 W. 6 <sup>th</sup> Street Yuma, AZ 85364
June 13, 2007	IGAs Application	3:30 – 4:30 p.m. 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.	Community Education Center Northland Pioneer College 2251 N. Navajo Blvd. Holbrook, AZ 86025
June 20, 2007	IGAs Application	4:00 pm - 5:00 pm 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Ponderosa High School Building 2384 N. Steve's Blvd Flagstaff, AZ 86004

The public comment period begins on Thursday, May 3, 2007, and will end at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, July 2, 2007. Oral and written comments will be accepted at the public hearings. Written comments may also be mailed to Valerie Andrews, Program Director, ADE, Early Childhood Special Education, 1535 W. Jefferson, BIN 15, Phoenix, AZ 85007 or by email to Valerie.andrews@azed.gov.